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SUBJECT: SOVIET UNESCO OFFICIAL TO VISIT KOREA

FOR NESCO

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1. DEPARTMENT HAS LIMITED BIOGRAPHIC INFORMATION ON
VLADIMIR VLASOVICH MSCHVENIYERADZE.HIS PRESENT
POSITION IS DIRECTOR, INTERNATIONAL DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL
SCIENCES. HE WAS ASSIGNED TO UNESCO HEADQUARTERS IN
PARIS IN MID-1972. PRIOR TO BECOMING A UN EMPLOYEE,HE
HAD WORKED FOR AT LEAST TEN YEARS AT THE INSTITUTE OF
PHILOSOPHY OF THE USSR ACADEMY OF SCIENCES IN MOSCOW.

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2. A 1953 GRADUATE OF TBILISI STATE UNIVERSITY (IN THE GEORGIAN SSR), MSCHVENIYERADZE HOLDS A DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHICAL SCIENCES DEGREE. HIS PUBLISHED ARTICLES INCLUDE: ANTI-COMMUNISM -- WEAPON OF THE DOOMER (1967), THE ROLE OF IDEOLOGY IN THE LIFE OF SOCIETY (1969), AND ANTI-COMMUNISM -- AN IDEOLOGY WITHOUT A FUTURE (1971). MSCHVENIYERADZE TRAVELED TO THE UNITED STATES IN 1964 FOR A SYMPOSIUM ON DIALECTICAL MATERIALISM AND AGAIN IN 1971 FOR TWO MONTHS OF STUDY UNDER A JOINT US-USSR EXCHANGE

AGREEMENT.

3. DEPARTMENT HAS REPEATED REFTEL TO EMBASSY PARIS, WHICH MAY WISH TO PROVIDE FURTHER BIOGRAPHIC INFORMATION AS WELL AS COMMENT ON WHETHER THERE ANYTHING UNUSUAL IN MSHVENIYERADZE'S TRIP TO KOREA.

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